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Reply

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In Response to the Official Action of August 17, 2006, issued with respect to the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following Reply comprising Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks.

Introductory Comments

This Reply has been formatted in attempted compliance with the revised provisions of 37 CFR 1.121. There are no requested Amendments to the Specification.

No fee is believed to be due in order for the timely consideration of this Preliminary Amendment. If, however, the Commissioner determines that such a fee is required, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge any (Large Entity) fee required for consideration of this submission to Deposit Account 05-0460.